

CORKS NEWSLETTER

November 2009

Central Ohio Radio Kontrol Society

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Flying hours: Monday thru Saturday 10AM to 8PM Sunday 11AM to 8 PM

Next Meeting:

Wednesday, November 4th at the Sunbury Library – 7 P.M.

November Ramblings from the Prez:

Our final event is coming up on Saturday, November 7th. Keith Bryant will be running our annual Turkey Shoot at about 11AM. Let's hope for a decent day. Also, it's November and **time to nominate your club officers and special award recipients for next year. These include a worthy recipient for Crash of the Year, CORK of the Year, Most Improved Flyer and Spouse of the Year.** Start thinking of potential candidates and be part of the process.

At this meeting I will try to significantly cut down on the time spent discussing club business items and spend more time discussing items of general interest concerning our hobby. The field of topics is open and anyone with questions on building and other hobby aspects is encouraged to bring them up. This month covering will be the first topic addressed and any other topics those present bring up. See the comments from the last meeting in the secretary's minutes below.

As a result of the accident at the Westerville Club field and the resulting confusion with the 911 operator, I contacted the Centerburg Fire and Rescue to see how this should be handled at our field since we don't have street address. Following is a summary of what I was told:

If you call 911 make sure you tell the operator immediately you are calling from **Knox County**. You have a one in three chance of getting the Delaware or Morrow County operator because of where we are located and they will transfer your call to the proper 911 operator.

Tell the operator you are at the west end of the Chapman Memorial Air Field and the squad should turn in at the drive by the CORKS sign on Columbus Rd.

Let's hope this info is never needed. Joe Lemermeier is going to get a new first aid kit for the field due to the age of our existing one.

We still do not have a firm site for our club banquet on February 20th. The Nutcracker Family Diner in Pataskala has a party room, but it would be cramped, menu choices are reasonable but limited and they close at 8 PM. We could have the back room at PJ's in Sunbury and order from the menu, but it's not very fancy and choices are limited. We have to decide pretty soon so please if you have a place that would make a good room for our banquet, bring it to my attention a.s.a.p.

I hope to see you at our **club meeting**.

Elgin

From the Editor:

For sale ads are welcome in the newsletter. Don't miss George Lust's ad below.

As always, if you see something that is of no value or if you have suggestions for change, let me know. The e-mail address for you to contact me is hmbengr@earthlink.net and there is always the phone (614) 899-3800 or snail mail. Don't forget our club website @ corksfield.org. If you have anything you want posted send it to Dan Barbee.

Elgin

Corks Meeting 10-7-09

- Guests:** None
- Members:** 17
- Minutes Last Mtg:** Approved as printed in the last newsletter.
- Treasurers Report:** Approved as read.
- Old Business:** Don Ranney says all is well at the field.

Lee Darby donated a Cub Cadet lawn tractor to the club. It is in need of repair, but Dick Liston volunteered to repair it since he is knowledgeable of these tractors. There is something wrong with the transmission, so Dick will use his judgment for how the expense goes when he gets into it.

Elgin asked for nominations for the OS Award. Don Bryant was nominated to receive this prestigious award for the month because of some difficulty in getting his engine started at the field.

The Centerburg Farm festival was mentioned. It was noted that we had two applications given out for membership as prospective members.

The president said the Knox County airport school days event was cancelled at the last minute. This caused some needless travel for a few of the CORKS members.

Paul Fannin spoke about the Skydiver event held in Muncie, Indiana. Paul said it was not nearly as active as the event we had at our field. No one from CORKS placed in the event.

Elgin spoke about the accident that occurred at the Westerville field and the problem of calling in the emergency squad. At this time it is doubtful that many members know the address of our field to let the emergency crew know where we are located. We will be making up a sign to be posted on the bulletin board

so all will know where to inform the emergency squad of our location if ever needed.

The first aid box was discussed, and it is to be replaced. Joe Lemermeier will take care of replacing the box as necessary.

Keith Bryant's turkey shoot is to be held November 7th. Get your planes ready.

There was some discussion on banquet rooms. If you have a place that would make a good room for our banquet, bring it to Elgin's attention a.s.a.p.

It was mentioned that the porta johns need to be pumped out and winterized. This will be done before the next meeting.

George Lust says we need to have a discussion about model airplane subjects for our meetings. Such things as balancing your plane, using Monocote, engine carburetor adjusting, radio care and use, battery charging etc; could be talked about. George said we should do more than just do a business meeting and go home. As a result, there would likely be more members taking an interest in coming to the meeting. Anyone with an idea they would like to talk about at our meeting should let Tom Jones know of your intentions, and he will schedule your time.

The last two years the club's January meeting has been cancelled due to foul weather. A motion was made and passed to just cancel the January meetings and no concern will be needed to attend this meeting.

Show & Tell: Dave Ziems brought in a Cox Medallion .010 glow engine. Dave said his grandfather had one when he was a young man, and he has wanted one ever since. Dave was able to find his engine on the internet.

50/50 Drawing: Tom Jones had the lucky ticket. When will it be your turn?

Meeting adjourned

Don

Vice Pres. Says:

WINTER STORAGE

It looks like winter is almost here and a may be little too cold to fly for awhile. What do you do with your planes until you bring them out of hibernation? The following suggestions are taken in part from the AMA Insider (a good place to go on the internet for more RC information).

Airplane- Clean the plane's covering and check for tears and loose covering. Check for cracked or loose structure. Check the control system for looseness and hinge problems. If you support your planes on the wall, support them by the tail section. Do not stand the wing on end. Do not support the plane from the tires.

Engine- Remove all glow and any gasoline fuel from engine and fuel tank and dispose of it in a safe manner. Add engine after-run fluid according to manufacturer's directions. If a wooden prop, do not forget to check for tightness before flying again. Cover the engine with a plastic bag.

Batteries- Cold weather can be tough on batteries. Ideally you should cycle the receiver batteries and record the capacity for reference next fly season. It's best to leave the batteries on a trickle charger to

maintain a charge or charge them every one or two months. Cycle the batteries before flying. Recheck the capacities before you fly again. Check the year the batteries were made to see if they are out-of-date. Refer to previous newsletters on how you can tell the year your battery was made.

Starter Battery- Disconnect 12V wet cell battery and clean the terminals and check the water level. A monthly charging will keep the battery from freezing and also extend its life. A gel cell battery should be connected to a slow maintenance charger vs. a regular battery charger to extend the battery's life.

Servos- Don't forget to check your servo wiring and connectors.

Fuel- Be sure your fuel is capped tightly and stored in a cool place out of the sunlight.

Miscellaneous- Check your rubber bands to see if you need to get rid of them before you fly again. Check your supply spare glow plugs, propellers (this would be a good time to balance them), etc.

For additional information go to the AMA web site/November 2008 "Insider".

Electric Fly Info: Friday Nov. 6 – 8th – Four Seasons Golf Center, 5000 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio, located in on the north side of the street in the golf dome. Refer to your AMA Model Aviation Mag. for more info. or jriefestival.com

RC Swap Meet and Static Show Saturday, Nov. 07 – Grove City Church of the Nazarene, 4770 Hoover Road, Grove City. Open 8:00 AM. Admission \$3.00. Refer to your AMA Model Aviation Mag. for more info. or columbusaerorc.org

For other non- local shows, refer AMA Model Aviation Mag. for more info.

For Sale:

World Engines Robinhood, 80 inch span, no engine, no radio, \$125 OBO. For info call George Lust at 740-965-5316.

